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2. DURING THE WEEK OF 9 MAY, THE DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE (DINA) ARRESTED THE FOUR HIGHEST RANKING MEMBERS OF THE POLITICAL COMMISSION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHILE (PCCH). THE FOUR PCCH LEADERS ARE: VICTOR O I A Z, ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE PCCH IN THE ABSENCE OF IMPRISONED SECRETARY GENERAL LUIS

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CORVALAN, RAFAEL; CORTES, JORGE MUÑOZ  
AND MARCELO AMORANO. THE FOUR PARTY OFFICIALS WERE  
HOLDING A CLANDESTINE MEETING AT THE TIME OF THE ARRESTS..  
ZAMORANO WAS WOUNDED WHILE ESCAPING AND AFTER A THREE-HOUR  
PURSUIT WAS ARRESTED. **COMMENT:**

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REPORTED THE ARREST OF DIAZ ON 9 MAY AS WELL AS OTHER  
LEFTISTS BY SECURITY FORCES IN ORDER TO AVERT SUBVERSIVE  
ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE UPCOMING SIXTH GENERAL  
ASSEMBLY OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (OASGA).)

3. **COMMENT:** PCCH OFFICIALS REGARD THIS AS  
THE SEVEREST SETBACK THE PARTY HAS SUFFERED SINCE THE  
SEPTEMBER 1973 COUP D'ETAT. THE PCCH BELIEVES THAT IN  
ORDER FOR DIAZ TO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT THE  
ARRESTS IT PROBABLY HAS HAD THE FOUR LEADERS UNDER  
SURVEILLANCE FOR SOME TIME. THE PCCH IS WORRIED THAT  
DIAZ, WHO IS SERIOUSLY ILL WITH ASTHMA AND ARTHRITIS, MAY  
NOT SURVIVE THE CONFINEMENT.)

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(c) Expenditures for the year

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